

The Villages Golf Handicap Committee, The Villages, Florida  
How to Post Your Golf Score in the GHIN System:  
**When at a terminal in the Golf Pro Shop**

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If the Screen is blank... tap the screen to wake it up. The Welcome screen should appear.

Select **Club Member Score Posting**.

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Default is Local Number, or select GHIN Number.

For Local Number enter your **Village Identification Number** or may select GHIN number and enter your GHIN number.

Select **Next** button on lower right hand of screen

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Your name now will appear on the top of the screens with your GHIN or Villages ID number.

Where did you play?

Selection choices are: **Home**, Away, Tournament Home, or Tournament Away

In the where did you play boxes, select the type of course/round you played Home / Away/ Tournament Home / Tournament Away. If you are a resident of The Villages, all 12 of The Villages championship golf courses are considered your home courses. Therefore if you played one of The Villages championship courses you would select **Home**. If you played a course outside of The Villages or state you would select **Away** and follow the away instructions.

Tournament should *seldom to never* be selected by a village resident. A 'tournament score' (T score) is a score made in a competition organized and conducted by the Committee in charge of the competition. In The Villages tournament "T" scores are posted to your GHIN record by the Committee in charge of competition, similar to how scores are posted for most Men's/Ladies' Day play. For a score to be posted as a "T" score, the competition committee must identify a winner(s) based on a stipulated round(s), and must be played under the principles of the Rules of Golf. The local handicap committee in consultation with the committee in charge of the competition must determine in advance if these conditions are met and announce in advance whether the score must be identified by the letter "T" when posted. You will find a list of the current years' approved "T" score events for The Villages on-line under Handicap Committee Notice at: <http://www.golfthevillages.com/handicaps/posting.asp>

When playing in a tournament outside of The Villages, you should always check to see if the above conditions have been met and whether that tournament's competition committee will be posting all scores before posting a *tournament away* score.

For play in The Villages, Select **Home** button.

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Which course did you play?

The system defaults to today for the round you are posting. If you are posting a score for a round played before today, then select the **Play Date** box on the bottom of the screen. Enter the correct date for the round you are posting.

Scroll down and **select the course played** for your post.

If you are posting a nine hole score, select the course that includes the nine hole course you played and are posting for, continue to next screen.

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Which Tees did you play?

Select your posting of **18 holes** or **9 holes**.

In The Villages, the default for holes posted is 18 holes. If you are posting a 9 hole score, you will need to select **9 holes**.

See Handicap FAQ's (frequently asked questions) if you are unsure how to score holes not played during match, medal or inclement weather. Handicap FAQ's can be found on-line at:

<http://www.golfthevillages.com/handicaps/index.asp>

On the right hand side of the page under the words Handicaps Resources, click on [Handicap FAQ's](#). A four page document will appear with the most frequently asked questions regarding the correct scoring procedure for hole(s) not played.

Select **color of tees** you played from.

This will provide the GHIN system with the correct slope rating for calculation purposes. When posting a nine-hole score, *select the correct set of tees* **front nine** or **back nine** so that the course you chose [you played] and the course you are posting for correspond.

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Please enter your ESC score

**Enter your correct ESC Score**

When entering your ESC Score, you will enter your net score which is your score less any strokes allowed under the ESC (Equitable Stroke Control) rule. "Equitable Stroke Control" (ESC) is the downward adjustment of individual hole scores for handicap purposes in order to

make handicaps more representative of a player's potential ability. ESC sets a maximum number that a player can post on any hole depending on the player's Course Handicap. ESC is used only when a player's actual or most likely score exceeds the player's maximum number based on the table in Section 4-3 of The USGA HANDICAP SYSTEM book. This book can be found on line at: [//usga.org/Rule-Books/Handicap-System-Manual/Rule-04/](http://usga.org/Rule-Books/Handicap-System-Manual/Rule-04/)

An ESC Example: Your Handicap Index is 19.4 and your course handicap is 19. You scored a 90 for 18 holes played. On one of the holes you had a 9 on another hole you took an 8. Because your course handicap is 19, ESC does not allow you to take more than 7 strokes on any hole. Therefore you need to subtract 3 strokes [ $9-7=2$ ;  $8-7=1$ ] from your score of 90 and post an ESC score of 87. In The Villages we do not use a Nine-Hole Handicap Index (rule 10-5), therefore when posting a nine hole score, you would follow the above instruction based on your 18 hole handicap index.

After entering your ESC Score, Select **Next** button to continue

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Verify the information you are posting that appears on the screen. If posted score information is correct, select the **Post Score** button on the lower right hand side of screen to post your score. Congratulations, you have now posted your score in the GHIN System.

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Your score has been posted! screen will appear.

You may post another score, print a handicap label, or logout by selecting **Finish**. When you select the Finish button, the home screen will appear.

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**NOTE:** The USGA® Handicap System requires that every member report all acceptable scores for handicap calculation personally, or as otherwise authorized by the committee, as soon as possible after the round is played. In The Villages acceptable scores must be posted within **36** hours of play.

Per a revision in the USGA Handicap System manual, Section 5-1: Acceptability of Scores, effective January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016, scores made while playing alone will no longer be acceptable for handicap purposes.